

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Group Art Unit: 3739**

**Confirmation No.: 7042**

**Examiner:** Gibson, Roy Dean

**For: VACUUM-BASED CATHETER  
STABILIZER**

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action, dated December 27, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted to the Mail Stop Appeal Brief-Patents, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below via the USPTO EFS-Web filing system.

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